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THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1920.

NORWAY

Fred Perry, Norway Lake, has tapped over 300 maple trees this spring and has found a good sap year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holman of Portland have been passing several days in town, making their headquarters at Beale Tavern.

Mrs. Harriet Porter and daughter went to Portland, Saturday, where they will pass two weeks with Mr. Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Riddon were in Portland last week on a business trip. Dr. and Mrs. Donald Bartlett of So. Paris were guests over the week end of Dr. and Mrs. Herman L. Bartlett.

Mrs. Lizzie Richardson has taken a room at Charles Wentzell's, Danforth street, where she will keep house for the present.

Mrs. A. J. Richardson and son, William, were at Lewiston over Saturday on a business trip.

Ralph Parker of Portland is spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Barker, Danforth street.

Kenneth C. Gurney, who has been in Boston during the winter and has been with his sister, Mrs. Clarence Downing, several days this week, went to his camp at Lake Keweenaw, East Stoneham, Thursday.

Mr. H. Kessons, who has been at South Paris several weeks nursing George Green, who was ill with double pneumonia and acute Bright's Disease, has gone home. Mr. Green is able to be about the house and gets out of doors for a short time each day.

Miss Edith Riddout, teacher at Cony High School, Augusta, is at home on a vacation.

Rev. F. A. Sullivan has been in Bethel several days this week.

Edward G. Burnell went to the Eye and Ear Infirmary, Portland, Friday for surgery. He was accompanied by his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Burnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Carroll have gone to East Fryeburg to visit her parents.

Charles Sewell Preley passed away Thursday afternoon at the Soldiers Home at Togus. Mr. Preley suffered a shock about two weeks ago, and went to the Home the first of last week for care and treatment.

The members of Miss Marion Olinson's class at the Methodist Sunday School met at the home of Miss Doris Stone, Thursday evening and organized under the name of "Ever Faithfuls."

Officers were chosen as follows: President, Miss Doris Stone; vice president, Miss Althea Butters; secretary, Miss Vera Smith; treasurer, Miss Ruth Smith. After the meeting was adjourned, a social hour was enjoyed with games and refreshments were served.

One of the delightful affairs of the week occurred at the home of Mrs. Stephen O. Jellerson when she entertained the office force from the Carroll-Jellerson Shoe Factory at a dinner, in honor of Miss Frances T. Bartlett, whose engagement is announced to Harry L. Twitchell of Oxford.

The electric light station is now running by water power and lights are on all night.

A benefit is to be given William Henry Stone Post, No. 82, American Legion, under the management of Mrs. Stephen O. Jellerson. One of the features will be a Patriotic drill in charge of Charles S. Akers. The first rehearsal was held Wednesday evening. Among the young ladies who will take part are: the Misses Ruth Cummings, Ruth Akers, Ruth Carroll, Ida Merrill, Frances Bartlett, Marjorie Barker, Genevieve Baker, Beatrice Stone, Effie Towne, Marion Gibson, Mildred Noyes, Kara Tru, Adeline DeCoster, Marguerite Frost, Robie Bethell, Maude Mixer, Doris Merrill, Marguerite Welch, Mrs. Marion Jellerson, Mrs. Geneva Partridge, and Mrs. Ethelyn Lapham.

The Veranda Club met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Maggie Libby with nineteen members present. Miss Louise Thomas, Miss Beale Klein and Miss Ruth Libby assisted with the musical program and there were readings by several of the members. The hostess served dainty refreshments.

Mrs. Mary Gammon has sold her stand on Beal street to her son, Orval Gammon.

Schools in the village closed Friday for two weeks vacation.

Elden H. Goodwin, Paris street, was operated on at the Central Maine Hospital, Lewiston, the first of the week for gall stones and appendicitis.

Supt. Truo C. Merrill has been appointed inspector for the Bible study classes of Norway and South Paris. The pupils of these classes are of high school age and are to receive college and high school credit for the Bible study done in the church Sunday Schools. The plan has been organized by the State Department of Education in union with the four Maine colleges.

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In a campaign for better typewriting the Annual Business Show Company of New York is to hold sectional school contests in several cities, in accordance with the International Typewriting rules. The contest for New England will be held at Simmons College, Boston, May 1. The Junior class at the high school have entered into the contest with much enthusiasm, and a part of the proceeds of the Maine Lecture is to be used in defraying the expenses of representing the school at this meeting.

GLENS FALLS INSURANCE COMPANY, GLENS FALLS, NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Real Estate	\$220,406.55
Mortgage Loans	1,592,382.03
Collateral Loans	218,280.76
Stocks and Bonds	3,303,220.41
Cash in Office and Bank	882,067.51
Agent's Balance	870,102.29
Interest and Rents	36,487.31
All other Assets	143,720.87
Gross Assets	\$9,349,668.92

Deduct items not admitted

	21,360.17
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$901,660.27
Unearned Premiums	4,176,439.74
All other Liabilities	406,045.51
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,865,144.33

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$9,328,298.85
	3-25-31--WN

PANY, ACCIDENT AND LIABILITY DEPARTMENT, 650 MAIN ST., HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Mortgage Loans	\$3,139,900.00
Collateral Loans	330,300.00
Stocks and Bonds	15,000,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	3,174,800.73
Agent's Balance	3,320,984.03
Bills Receivable and Suspense Accounts	42,191.07
Interest and Rents	234,756.37
All other Assets	137,922,407.16
Gross Assets	\$103,194,720.56

Deduct items not admitted

	97,017.40
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$13,003,070.98
Unearned Premiums	6,304,465.34
All other Liabilities	126,334,227.22
Cash Capital	5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	12,455,272.61

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$103,097,712.40
	3-25-31--WN

Harlan E. Longfellow, Agent, Rumford Falls

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Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Real Estate	\$224,718.34
Stocks and Bonds	3,950,935.95
Cash in Office and Bank	215,408.36
Agent's Balance	1,459,475.25
Bills Receivable	75,927.57
Interest and Rents	29,251.11
Gross Assets	\$5,962,516.68

Deduct items not admitted

	622,561.69
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$5,339,054.99
Unearned Premiums	65,059,421.49
All other Liabilities	2,136,339.81
Cash Capital	510,203.72
Surplus over all Liabilities	380,997.97

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$5,339,054.99
	3-18-31--WN

Includes \$213,401.44 Cash in Office and Bank not in control of Trustees

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Real Estate	\$44,400.00
Mortgage Loans	525,200.67
Collateral Loans	3,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	8,094,715.00
Cash in Office and Bank	693,862.58
Agent's Balance	1,275,000.63
Bills Receivable	79,056.60
Interest and Rents	29,250.99
All other Assets	39,559.00
Gross Assets	\$10,701,721.45

Deduct items not admitted

	12,627.41
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$945,001.00
Unearned Premiums	\$248,491.12
All other Liabilities	182,097.74
Cash Capital	29,250.99
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,912,904.18

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$10,689,094.04
	3-18-31--WN

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Real Estate	\$5,335,277.03
Mortgage Loans	45,509,632.16
Collateral Loans	732,278.76
Stocks and Bonds	88,374,715.00
Cash in Office and Bank	7,081,542.11
Agent's Balance	60,148.00
Bills Receivable	6,096.04
Interest and Rents	2,270,072.63
All other Assets	24,117,027.63
Gross Assets	\$171,298,204.83

Deduct items not admitted

	718,286.34
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$170,570,918.49
Unearned Premiums	\$1,389,134.10
All other Liabilities	211,711.55
Cash Capital	153,781,220.39
Surplus over all Liabilities	9,197,852.45

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$170,570,918.49
	3-18-31--WN

UNITED STATES CASUALTY COMPANY, 80 Maiden Lane, New York City

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Real Estate	\$250.00
Mortgage Loans	241,500.00
Collateral Loans	4,732,662.07
Stocks and Bonds	194,063.22
Cash in Office and Bank	1,094.32
Agent's Balances, Debits, Premiums in course of collection gross	563,444.83
Interest and Rents	39,043.33
All other Assets	88,651.33
Gross Assets	\$5,880,739.95

Deduct items not admitted

	566,309.88
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Admitted Assets, Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919

Net Unpaid Losses	\$5,294,430.07
Unearned Premiums	\$1,374,274.88
All other Liabilities	\$1,928,180.38
Cash Capital	369,966.11
Surplus over all Liabilities	525,990.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus

	\$5,294,430.07
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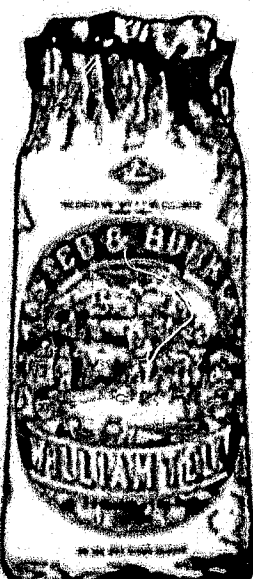
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Does the Flour Cake

If You Would Have You Must Use Pearl

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Ingredients may be the best, but if the flour is poor, the whole loaf is spoiled. In the other hand, the miller may be all that there is, but if the flour is poor, the whole loaf is spoiled.

It has been found in the real cause for the failure of a household is the quality of the flour used.

Every woman should know the difference between good flour and poor flour. Good flour is the key to a successful household.

THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

DOES THE FLOUR MAKE THE CAKE

If You Would Have a Perfect Product You Must Use Perfect Ingredients

Pearl Bailey Lyons in The Farmer's Wife

No one thing is entirely responsible for the success or failure of a cake. The ingredients may be the very best and put together with the utmost care yet the whole spoiled in the baking. On the other hand, the mixing and the baking may be all that they should be and so far as the woman knows, the ingredients may be the best, yet the cake may fail.

It has been found in many such cases that the real cause for poor cake resulted in the use of an inferior flour or flour not suited to the purpose.

Every woman should know how to tell good flour independent of price and label and insist upon buying the best grade regardless of special inducements and sales on other brands of inferior flour masquerading under high-sounding labels.

How many women test the flour they buy to know if they are getting full value for the price they pay.

There are many kinds of flour manufactured and several grades of flour may come from the same mill during one milling process but as every housewife knows they are usually listed as bread flour and pastry flour.

To the average woman, pastry flour has been considered an unnecessary expense when she had plenty of bread flour on hand and it was an extravagance to buy flour just for cakes. But to the baker and professional cook, pastry flour is considered just as important in the making of a fine cake as strictly fresh eggs.

In the manufacture of wheat flour for bread purposes, spring wheat is used, because this contains a large percentage of gluten or body-building material. Gluten is responsible for the light porous loaf of bread since it is an elastic substance which holds in the bubbles of carbon dioxide, gas formed by the action of the yeast during the bread-making process, just as the white of an egg when beaten holds in the air bubbles in a mixture.

Wheat being the only cereal to contain gluten, is the most important in the making of flour for bread. The other cereal flours must be combined with wheat flour in order to make light yeast breads. It is real economy to pay a higher price for good flour containing a high percentage of gluten than it is to buy cheap flour low in food value.

Just as bread flour, rich in gluten, is essential to the best bread, so is pastry flour, rich in starch and lacking in gluten content, necessary in making a light fluffy tender cake or pastry.

Cake, combining as it does, so many different ingredients (fat, sugar, eggs and milk) in addition to the flour is not dependent upon the flour for its food value, and the texture and grain are the chief points to be considered in selecting materials to be used.

Pastry flour is made from soft winter wheat which is drier and contains a large amount of starch and very little gluten and is especially suited to the needs of a fine cake and pastry.

In order to test bread flour in the home to determine its grade and quality the following simple tests may be applied. High-grade bread flour should

- (1) Be white in color with creamy cast.
- (2) Feel gritty in the fingers and not too smooth and fine.
- (3) Absorb water readily.
- (4) Fall apart when squeezed in the hand showing that there is not too much moisture present.
- (5) Make an elastic loaf of bread dough.

To test the amount of gluten, make a stiff dough of one cup of flour with cold water. Knead it in a strainer, set in a bowl of water for a few minutes. The starch washes away and the gluten, a gray rubbery substance remains. There should be a good proportion of this in good flour.

Pastry flour should:

- (1) Be whiter than bread flour and more like starch.
- (2) Be softer and smoother than bread flour.
- (3) Absorb water more readily.
- (4) Not make an elastic dough like the bread flour.

Most rules for cake are given for the use of pastry flour and when this is not available two tablespoons less to each cup of bread flour should be used in the recipe. Or two tablespoons of cornstarch may be added to each cup of flour sifted and then the amount of flour called for in the recipe be measured from this afterwards.

As flour varies greatly in the amount of water it absorbs, it is best to try a small sample or cake before baking a large one when using new flour or using from a new bag or box.

After the flour consideration in the manufacture of cake is found to be the best, then the other ingredients find order of importance. Fresh eggs, fine granulated sugar, cream, sweet, butter or butter substitutes without any odor are all important features of the cake and the way they are measured makes or mars many a product.

Accurate level measures are absolutely necessary. Too much sugar causes the cake to rise very light in the oven then fall, making a moist sticky cake with a sticky crust.

Too much fat makes a close-grained, heavy cake which crumbles easily. Too little fat makes a very porous cake which dries out quickly.

For most butter cakes a safe rule to follow is to use one-third to one-half as much butter as sugar, and one-half as much liquid as flour.

Shortening counts as so much liquid. Eggs give lightness and fine texture to a cake and help hold the ingredients together.

Baking powder may be substituted in a cake mixture for some of the eggs where many eggs are called for, using one teaspoon of baking powder for each egg omitted.

Cakes which have fruit or nuts added need to be stiffer than those without, since these materials are heavy and sink to the bottom of the mixture when it is thin.

The best cakes are fine-grained, moist, not sticky and have an even texture throughout. Coarse grained cakes are the result of lack of beating or too slow an oven.

A crack in the top of a cake means one of two things: either an excess of flour or too hot an oven. If the oven is too hot when the cake is put in to bake, the crust will form over the top before the cake has risen its full height and then the gas and steam in the cake forces its way up through the crust and makes the unsightly crack.

When a cake falls in the fault of too cool an oven, if the recipe is known to be a good one.

Removing cake from oven before sufficiently baked, is another cause. Cakes containing many eggs, as angel

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NORTH NEWRY
Carrie Wight was home from Machias for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. Anna Stearns, who has been working at W. B. Wight's, has gone home for two or three weeks.

Dan Stuart went to Errol, Saturday after his wife, who has been staying with her parents a few days.

Perol Brink spent the week end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bushey of Rumford are in town.

Edith Vail is working for Mrs. John Vail.

The "Branch" school will begin Tuesday with Mr. Harold Flint as teacher.

Mrs. Frank Morton and two children, Estella and Frankie, Jr., of Andover were week end guests of Mrs. L. E. Wight.

Mrs. P. P. Flint and daughters, Ethel, Pearl and Marguerite were in Bethel last week.

Mrs. W. B. Wight and Miss Carrie Wight took tea with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight, Thursday.

Earl Davis is working in the mill for W. B. Wight & Sons.

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foods and sponge cakes, require slow oven heat in baking, while cakes requiring butter and fewer eggs need a hotter oven.

It is a good plan to divide the time for baking into quarters.

The first quarter, the cake should rise and begin to brown slightly.

The next quarter continued browning and rising.

The third quarter finish browning and draw away from the edge of the pan slightly.

When done the cake should spring back when touched with the finger on top, the pan should hiss when touched with a wet finger on the bottom and a straw come out clean from the center of the cake without being sticky.

All the ingredients should be assembled together before beginning actual operation of combining material in cake making. Pans should be thoroughly greased and floured. The oven should be regulated so that it will be ready for the cake at the right time. And all fruit and nuts cut and floured.

There are several ways of mixing cakes, many of them are equally good. Successful results are more due to the thoroughness with which the ingredients are mixed than to the order in which they are put together.

CANTON

The girls of the Universalist Sunday School met last week and organized a club which they have given the name of the "Pollyanna Club," with twelve charter members. The officers elected were: President, Miss Lida Abbott; Vice President, Miss Marguerite Hollis; Secretary, Miss Mildred Chamberlin; Treasurer, Miss Maxine Butterfield. They have chosen for their motto, "Be glad," their emblem "H. 4," while the color of the Club will be yellow, representing sunshine. They will take up the reading of the book, "Pollyanna," for their first study.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Alton Tyler of Salem Depot, N. H., are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Tyler.

Robert W. Poor and A. E. Russell, Jr., attended Mason meeting at Livermore Falls, Tuesday evening.

Walter Garey has been ill with the mumps.

Mrs. Bert Powers of Rumford has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Frank M. Oliver.

Arthur Johnson and Floyd Hines have gone to Lisbon Falls to work.

William F. Mitchell, Jr., is at a hospital in Portland for medical treatment.

Mrs. James Davis pleasantly entertained the Universalist Circle, Thursday. At the next meeting Mrs. Edward L. Goding will be hostess.

Miss Ruth Richardson of Canton, who is attending Boston University, took a prominent part in the "Stormy Sea" dance at the Pilgrim Pageant, which was given at Boston University College of Liberal Arts, last week. Miss Richardson is a popular member of the senior class and belongs to the Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity. The Pageant was divided into three episodes: First, "Life of Pilgrims in Merry England;" second, "Life of Pilgrims among the Indians of America;" and the last scene depicted the Modern Pilgrims of America, the recent immigrants from all nations. The participants numbered about six hundred students. Over 1500 guests were present. The Pageant was given twice the same evening, to allow the second crowded house to witness the performance. Miss Richardson is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Richardson, proprietors of the popular summer resort, Pinewood Camp, Canton. She is 21 years of age, a graduate of Levitt Institute and will graduate in June from Boston University, after a four years' course. On her return to Canton she will conduct the tea room at Pinewood, which proved an attractive addition to the Camp last season.

On account of illness Miss Ruth Johnson has been obliged to give up teaching in the Wyman district as planned.

Mrs. Doris Jones spent the week end at her home in Mexico.

Mrs. Madeline Roberts of Readfield has been a guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ellis.

A social was held at the schoolhouse Friday evening with games and dancing, music being furnished by the young people.

The annual district meeting of the Bethel branch will be held with Ponemah Lodge of Canton on June 3rd.

The boys of the Universalist Sunday School met Thursday evening and organized a club which will be known as "The Champions." Officers are: President, Hollis Butterfield; Vice President, Lucius Goddard; Recording Secretary, Junior Johnson; Guard, Nelson Chamberlin. The colors of the Club are blue and white.

Mrs. Rita Glover, who is nearly 70 years young, has recently completed a quilt which contains 2,800 pieces, and is a beauty.

Miss Marguerite Hollis attended the Hebrew Alumni banquet held at Eastman Brothers & Bancroft, Portland, last week.

Miss Ada Bonney is at home from Bates College on a visit to her parents, T. Bonney and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Swasey have been guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. L. Childs, of Lewiston.

The Odd Fellows of Anasagaticook Lodge, No. 32, have purchased an electric light plant to light Odd Fellows block. They have also bought a moving picture machine. The lights will be installed at once.

The Scandinavian Club met Tuesday with Mrs. Lyman Ellis. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. E. L. Goding.

Miss Doris Plummer of Lisbon Falls has been a guest of Miss Marguerite Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvan Goddard are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, which has been named Chester Harold.

Mrs. Abbie M. Parsons has returned home from an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Roberts, of Bethel.

A. P. Russell and John Briggs attended Pomona Grange at West Peru.

Miss Lida Abbott has been visiting her brother, Frederick Abbott, and wife of Auburn.

A social dance was held at the Grange Hall, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Frazier Grant and little daughter of Ridgeway have been guests of Mrs. O. M. Richardson.

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Mortgage Loans,	48,800.00
Collateral Loans,	102,134.00
Stocks and Bonds,	18,350,013.32
Cash in Office and Bank,	2,809,365.65
Agent's Balance,	4,775,333.00
Interest and Rents,	301,303.65
All other Assets,	591,346.71
Gross Assets,	\$27,717,226.31
Deduct items not admitted,	1,906,139.83
Admitted Assets,	\$25,751,086.38

THE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE CO. OF HARTFORD, CONN.	
Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Mortgage Loans,	\$443,000.00
Collateral Loans,	620,175.00
Stocks and Bonds,	5,326,609.44
Cash in Office and Bank,	2,454,363.22
Agent's Balance,	1,991,502.17
Bills Receivable,	28,401.82
Interest and Rents,	87,505.40
All other Assets,	90,225.56
Gross Assets,	\$11,110,370.37
Deduct items not admitted,	85,171.14
Admitted Assets,	\$11,025,207.23

THE ETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, 650 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	
Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Mortgage Loans,	\$1,647,975.00
Collateral Loans,	555,815.03
Stocks and Bonds,	3,034,200.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	2,097,159.24
Agent's Balance,	1,450,501.71
Bills Receivable,	12,029.40
Interest and Rents,	136,732.11
All other Assets,	90,576.67
Gross Assets,	\$14,014,988.22
Deduct items not admitted,	21,571.39
Admitted Assets,	\$13,993,416.83

MORRILL & HASTINGS, RUMFORD FALLS, VERMONT	
Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$3,216,335.70
Unearned Premiums,	\$3,235,855.94
All other Liabilities,	987,711.34
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ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Real Estate,	\$203,335.64
Stocks and Bonds,	4,037,747.50
Cash in Office and Bank,	880,834.47
Agent's Balance,	558,495.40
Bills Receivable,	2,035.74
All other Assets,	5,818.98
Interest and Rents,	70,058.20
Gross Assets,	\$5,757,825.92
Deduct items not admitted,	550,562.84
Admitted Assets,	\$5,207,263.08

Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$222,110.99
Unearned Premiums,	2,306,529.08
All other Liabilities,	142,665.00
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,475,958.01

Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$222,110.99
Unearned Premiums,	2,306,529.08
All other Liabilities,	142,665.00
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,475,958.01

Assets Dec. 31, 1919	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$222,110.99
Unearned Premiums,	2,306,529.08

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\$29.75, 34.75, 37.45, 42.50

The styles shown here are the ones which have been determined upon by designers as being absolutely correct. Suits are made of all Wool Serges, Wool Jerseys, Tricotine, Poplin and novelty suit fabrics, one of the important points making these garments so very desirable in the tailoring, trimmings too are decidedly distinctive.

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Both lengths are stylish, the styles are particularly smart and attractive. Every favored material of the season can be found in our broad collection. They are made of Polo Cloth, Jersey, Silverstone, Tinseltone, Velour and beautiful mixtures.

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There is just one way to learn of the beauty and desirability of these new dresses, you must see the new styles and try them on for it is only then that you can learn to your own satisfaction what smart dresses are designed for Spring wear. They are an unusually fine assortment.

SILK TAFFETA DRESSES,	\$24.75 up to \$49.75
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WOOL JERSEY DRESSES,	19.75 up to 27.45
SERGE DRESSES,	24.75 up to 49.75

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We want you to feel that if it is not possible to visit our store whenever a need for anything arises, that we shall appreciate your ordering it by phone or mail. Your orders will be given our immediate and careful attention while our broad guarantee and store policy covers every purchase whether made in the store or by phone or mail. Pleased to send you samples, also to send ready made garment on approval. We pay the parcel post charges on all orders.

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\$1.25 Brooms, 95c
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That commercial candies are much higher in price and lower in quality? The remedy for this is to buy pure, home-made candy.

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PLAIN FUDGE of various flavors, 40 cents a pound.
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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. E. L. Brown was in Norway, Saturday.

Mr. Raymond Hagar was in Portland one day last week.

Misses Dorris and Marion Frost were in Portland last week.

Mr. E. P. Lyon was a business visitor in Lewiston, Wednesday.

Mrs. Clara Brown was at her home in Locke's Mills, Saturday.

Mr. Fred A. Tibbitts was a business visitor in Portland, Monday.

Mr. D. A. Gilnes was in Bryant's Pond, Monday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young were in Portland the first of the week.

Mr. Ray Parker is visiting his brother at Bath, Maine, for a few days.

Mrs. M. L. Thurston went to Portland, Saturday, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Elsie Stevens and family.

Mrs. L. H. Wight was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. E. Phipps, at Gorham last week.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their meeting on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Mae A. Godwin.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Thurston and daughter, Rosalie, were in Portland, Friday and Saturday.

Miss Erma Lary of Portland was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Wheeler the first of the week.

There will be work in the first degree at the Odd Fellows' meeting on Friday evening of this week.

Mrs. Clara Littlehale of Bryant's Pond was the guest of Mrs. Howard C. Curn and family, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Purrington of Gorham, N. H., were Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Wight.

Miss Gwendolin Godwin went Monday to North Paris, where she is to teach in the Tuell District.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Coburn left Sunday for Middle Dam to get their camps ready for the fishing season.

Mrs. P. L. Edwards is expecting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Wiley, of Bar Mills, Thursday, to spend a few days.

After an enforced vacation of several weeks, Mr. Carl Brown has resumed his work at the Citizen office.

Mrs. Percy Flint and three daughters of North Newry were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thurston last week.

The Weatatt Club will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of the newly elected president, Mrs. W. B. Twaddle.

Miss Nellie Whitman and sister, Mrs. Beare, of Hebron were dinner guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis, Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Gard Twaddle of Auburn were guests of Dr. Twaddle's mother, Mrs. Harriet Twaddle, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kimball have returned from So. Portland, where they visited Mrs. Kimball's sister, Mrs. Hemick.

Mr. Harry Purrington of Manchester-by-the-Sea came to Bethel, Saturday P. M., and spent Sunday with his parents and sister.

Prof. Theodore Smith of Williams College, who has been spending a few weeks in town, returned to Williams town, Mass., Tuesday.

Miss Marion Wilson, who is attending school at Schaghticoke, Me., is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Peterkin.

Mrs. John Wilson of Berlin was the guest of her brother, Mr. A. F. Chapman, and family last week. Miss Sally Chapman returned home with her for a visit.

Among those who attended the Republican Convention at Bangor last Thursday were: Messrs. H. H. Hastings, Herman Mason, W. J. Douglas, H. E. Maxim.

Among the college students who are at home for the Easter vacation are: Miss Kathryn Hanson, Miss Ernestine Philbrook, of Bates, Miss Muriel Park of Smith, and Mr. Robert Hanson of Bowdoin.

Word has been received from Mr. W. W. Hastings, who has been spending the winter at Pellisiers, Fla., that he expects to leave there March 31 arriving in Portland, April 4, where he will spend several weeks at the Congress Square Hotel.

See ad. L. M. STEARNS' removal notice.

REMOVAL NOTICE

We are now located in our new store, next door to H. H. Hastings' law office, where we will be open to the public Thursday, April 1st.

On Friday and Saturday
APRIL 2nd and 3rd

We shall display our new line of

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A fine line of new Stamped Goods

We extend a cordial invitation to all to visit our new store.
L. M. STEARNS
BETHEL, MAINE

Mr. C. T. Parker was in town several days last week.

Mr. Loren Gilnes and family went to Norway, Saturday.

Mrs. L. W. Russell was the week end guest of relatives in Norway.

Mrs. Harlan Wheeler was the guest of relatives in Gray over Sunday.

Mr. Herbert Benn of Lewiston is the guest of E. H. Smith and family.

Mrs. Irving French was the guest of relatives in West Paris, Wednesday.

Mrs. P. C. Thurston and daughter, Rosalie, were in Lewiston, Wednesday.

Mrs. F. J. Tyler was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Maud Rice, at Norway last week.

Mrs. Haskell and daughter, Marcia, of Portland are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albion Holt.

Mrs. Ella Hale and two children of Berlin, N. H., were guests of her mother, Mrs. H. S. Jodrey, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thurston have returned to their home on the Park after having leased their home for the winter.

Miss Elizabeth Chapman, who teaches at Dixfield, is spending the Easter vacation with her brother, Mr. H. N. Upton.

Misses Ruth and Alice Brown are home from their schools at Freeport and Yarmouth to spend the Easter vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown.

A quintet from Bethel Grammar School went to West Bethel, Friday night to play basket ball and won by a score of 8 to 5 in favor of the Bethel Grammar School.

Visit J. M. STEARNS' new store, next door to H. H. Hastings' law office.

Mrs. L. E. Cole of Locke's Mills was the guest of friends in town, Thursday.

Mr. Frank King of Cuscutta, Me. was calling on relatives in town, Thursday.

Mrs. Clarence Thomas went to Portland last week to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. Harriet Gilroy went to Maplewood, N. H., Monday, to spend a few days on business.

Mrs. F. J. Tyler went to Waterville, Tuesday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Greene.

Miss Holt of Bates College is spending the Easter vacation with her friend, Miss Kathryn Hanson.

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RUMFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Urie Mottevier announce the engagement of their daughter, Leona, to Antonio B. Perrault of Rumford.

The men of the Universalist church will hold a supper in the vestry of the church on Wednesday night. The menu will consist of fried clams, French fried potatoes, pies, doughnuts and coffee.

Casper Cohen is home from the University of Maine spending his Easter vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen.

The G. A. R. Hall and parsonage at Rumford Center was burned to the ground on Friday morning about four o'clock. The cause of the fire is as yet unknown. Mrs. Nancy Colby, who occupies the rent in the hall was away and was the heaviest loser.

Miss Lena Felt has resumed her duties at the Maine Central office after an absence of several months during which time she has been caring for her mother, Mrs. Emily Felt, who has been very ill with pneumonia.

C. A. Kelly, who for a good many years has been one of the bosses of the Oxford mill, has accepted a position as superintendent of a mill in Pennsylvania and will move his family in a few weeks.

Mrs. Eva Simpson of Boston is at the home of her father, Boston B. Swain, where she is convalescing from a recent operation.

Mrs. A. E. Stearns has returned from a trip to Waltham, Mass., where she was the guest of her son, Mr. Raymond Stearns, and wife for a short time.

On Sunday at the Universalist church there will be special music in keeping with the day and at the morning service the rite of confirmation will be administered to a class. The first service of the day will be at six o'clock in the morning. In the evening the Sunday school will give their annual Easter concert.

The Knight Templars of Strathglass Commandery will attend church in a body at St. Barnabas Episcopal church at 3.30 in the afternoon. They will be escorted by the Rumford band.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Bowers returned the last of the week from several weeks spent in the south.

The Ladies' Aid of the Universalist church will meet at the home of Mrs. George Gates on Penobscot street, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Nafum Moore and little daughter, Barbara, are spending a few weeks at Mrs. Moore's father's, Mr. Wilbur Kimball, of Rumford Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Schenauer of Franklin street returned from New York the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Williams are spending their vacation at their camp at Howard's Pond and have with them as guests Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Paine. All the schools of Rumford will reopen on Easter Monday after a vacation of two weeks.

A reception was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Fiske at St. Peter's Hall, Wednesday evening of last week by their friends. The evening was spent in dancing and at this time a purse was given Mr. and Mrs. Fiske. They will make their home in the future in Gardiner, Mass., where Mr. Fiske has accepted a position in the automobile business.

Rev. H. F. Lowe will complete his pastorate at the Methodist church at the end of the conference year. He will be located in the future at Springfield, Vermont. Many friends of both Mr. and Mrs. Lowe regret to see them leaving and they will be followed by the heartiest of wishes for success in their new field of labor.

The members of the boys' band were given a banquet by the members of the Lutteringer Company after the conclusion of their engagement in the play entitled, "Amy of the Circus." The affair was arranged by Mr. Altce and Mr. Lutteringer. The boys were served by Miss Kingsley and some of the other members of the company and a jolly time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. George Brown has purchased the business of the Rumford Drug Co., having bought out the interests of R. L. McLeher and Dr. C. M. Biscoe. These two gentlemen have purchased the building in which the Rumford Drug Co. is located from J. B. Stephens and have given a lease to Mr. Brown. As the corporation now stands Mr. Brown is president, treasurer and general manager; Fred Paulin is vice president and Miss Agnes Goodwin, clerk. The Rumford Drug Co. has one of the largest drug businesses in New England. This company has been for many years the largest

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The Stephens High School have reason to feel proud of the showing they made in the debate with Edward Little High of Auburn. At Rumford the Stephens High affirmative team defeated the Edward Little team but was defeated at Auburn by the Edward Little affirmative team. While the negative was defeated it won on points.

Sylvio Gonya was considered the best speaker on the affirmative team by the judges and Miss Shea on the negative. This means that Rumford will take part in the Interscholastic Debate in two weeks with Hebron and Deering High.

RICHARDSON HOLLOW

Walter Noyes has employment at Lancaster, N. H. Freeman Cooper is working for John Noyes during the spring season.

Clarence Richardson was a recent guest of his father, G. W. Richardson. G. W. Richardson was away several days last week on insurance business.

A. A. Noyes has finished hauling his pulp.

Alma and Janet Noyes are spending their vacation at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Curtis were recent guests at G. W. Richardson's.

E. W. Penley and grandson, Albert, were at W. E. Penley's farm, Monday.

Frank Crooker of Norway is working at G. W. Richardson's.

Bert Trueman of Norway, who has worked for A. A. Noyes this winter, has finished and gone to his home.

School will begin April 5th.

HANOVER

F. L. Howe had the misfortune to lose one of his work horses recently, and has bought one of Lewis Hutchins to replace it.

Herbert Campbell has finished his work in Hanover, and returned home.

Evans Hodgson returned to his home in Framingham, Mass., last Friday, after spending two months here with his parents.

Miss Elizabeth Smith has returned after spending the winter in Lewiston and Auburn.

Paul Staples and James Hayford were home from Rumford the week end.

Webb Worcester has finished his work at Rumford and is repairing Smith Newcomb mill here.

Mrs. Sadie Pinkham of Bangor was here last week, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Dyke. Her mother accompanied her back to Bangor.

W. C. Holt and wife, who have spent the past three months in Rumford with their son, Carroll and family, have returned to Julius Rock Camp.

Andy Harlow, the cook in Teltch's camp in Norway has finished his work and returned home.

The lumbermen in this vicinity are cutting their seedling on bare ground. No clearing the river at this writing. They will mail over on the ferry.

The village school commenced last week with eighteen scholars and the same teacher, Miss Crockett.

WEST PARIS

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. R. A. Grover, Thursday of last week. Willis Kilgore and Y. A. Thurston attended the Democratic Convention at Bangor, Tuesday.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening at the home of C. A. Band with four tables at play. Mrs. Charles Ripley and Fred Bartlett won the first prizes and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dunning the second. Refreshments of salads, hot rolls, coffee and doughnuts were served.

Matthews Mosey of Rumford was a business visitor in town last week.

George W. Abbott is very ill. Mrs. Charles Roberts is assisting in the care of him.

Elizabeth Bartlett, who is attending school at Norway, is spending her vacation with her parents, Charles Bartlett and wife.

Frank Thomas attended the funeral of Mr. Llewellyn Bickford at Portland Friday.

Cecil Smeeth has been very ill with lung fever at his home on Church street.

Edward Stuart, who has been spending the winter with her husband at Ste. Anne de Bequere, Canada, returned to Andover last week. Mrs. Stuart will teach school at Riley this spring.

Miss Annie O'Leary, who is teaching at No. 4, is boarding with Mrs. Roger Thurston.

George Thomas, who has been working in Canada this winter, returned home, Sunday.

Ellen Akers has been spending a few days in Rumford, the guest of her brother, Nathan Akers.

U. R. K. of P. held a whist party and dance in the town hall, Tuesday evening, March 23. A supper consisting of steamed clams, mashed potatoes and pastry was served.

B. L. Akers has gone to Elkhart, Indiana, to visit Fred Smith and family. Lawrence Parsons has been appointed administrator of the estate of Joseph B. Parsons.

Joseph Morton, who has had a rent in the village during the winter, has moved his family back to his farm at No. Andover.

Mrs. Walter Berry of Rumford has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Georgia Hawley.

W. W. Perkins attended the Pomona Grange at Peru, Wednesday of last week.

MASON

S. O. Grover and Lillie Baker spent the week end with relatives on Grover Hill.

F. I. Dean has finished shingling his mill and is doing some needed repairs inside before commencing sawing. W. H. Mason is helping him.

Leland Mills of Albany was in town, Sunday.

Ell Grover was at Bethel, Friday. A. B. Grover of Grover Hill was in town, Monday.

W. L. Robbins' team finished hauling timber for Douglas Cushing, Thursday.

See ad. L. M. STEARNS' removal notice.

NORTH WATERFORD

Mrs. Geo. Abbott visited at her son's, John Grover, at Waterford, Sunday.

Mrs. Rilla Merton has been stopping here at the village a few days. She went to Norway, Saturday, and returned Monday.

Irvin Becker was here Friday getting a subscription for Mr. and Mrs. Bruce of Albany who lost their house and contents and barely escaped themselves. A nice sum was collected.

Fred Hazelton is having his auto overhauled at Gardner Libby's garage and Mr. Hazelton is giving it a coat of paint.

Another dance here last Saturday night with a fair attendance.

Eugene Lovejoy, who has been working at Dargin's mill, finished work Saturday and will work for Harry Brown again.

Mrs. Luella Grover, who has been caring for the sick in her daughter's family at Paris, has not returned home, but is on a visit to her other daughter, Mrs. Arthur Andrews and family of Bryant's Pond.

Annie Hazelton, who was on the sick list last week, is feeling better.

Harry Morey has gone to No. Albany to work.

GROVER HILL

A. J. Peaslee has sold his farm to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyon, who expect to occupy it soon as the necessary repairs are made.

Little Miss Evelyn Whitman was the guest of Miss Eleanor Lyon, Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler from Bethel were at A. B. Grover's, Sunday. Mr. Samuel O. Grover and Miss Lillie Baker from Mason were week end guests at Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Grover's.

Miss Dorothy Stearns and her brother, Adelmar Stearns, from Bethel were recent guests at Pleasant View Farm.

Miss Retta Shaw from South Paris was the week end guest of her sister, Mrs. Alma Tyler, of "Cobbleskone."

Walter Brown and his cousin were at T. J. Brown's one day last week. See ad. L. M. STEARNS' removal notice.

ANDOVER

Sophomore prize declamation at Grange Hall, March 26, 1920. The program was as follows: March, selected Prayer, Rev. H. H. Hathaway

Response The Soul of a Violin, Margaret Merrill Annie Elizabeth Chandler

Zek' Pratt's Harp, Anonymous Charles Hooper Jackson

The Prayer, Amelia Josephine Burr Iola Mae Chandler

Music, By the Campfire The Haywood Trial—Plea for Persecution, George William Curtis

Henry Estes Briggs The Heart of Old Hickory, Will Allen Drongool

Myrtle Madeline Brock Music, Carolina Sunshine

The Haywood Trial—Plea for Defence, George William Curtis

Simeon Ambrose Farr The Perfect Tribute, Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews

Fannie Lucinda Waterhouse Music, State of Maine, My State of Maine

Prizes were awarded as follows: Myrtle Madeline Brock, 1st; Simeon Ambrose Farr, 2nd; special prize, Charles Hooper Jackson. Judges, Rev. H. A. Markley, Mrs. E. T. Plavin and Mrs. P. R. Flavin.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler and daughter, Dorothy, spent Thursday and Friday in Portland.

C. L. Bidlon attended the republican convention at Bangor last week.

Mrs. C. L. Bidlon was in Portland, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mann were in Portland, Friday.

There will be an Easter concert at the Universalist church, Sunday afternoon at 4 P. M. An excellent program has been arranged.

Sunday morning at the Universalist church the sermon will be appropriate to Easter. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briggs will assist in the music.

Mrs. Fannie Dinamore of Norway is the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. J. Caldwell.

RUMFORD POINT

L. M. Hutchins went to Andover, Thursday and bought a nice pair of horses of Ray Thurston.

Grace Cody is spending her vacation with Susan Martin.

Elton Knight went to Bangor as a delegate to the Republican Convention. Ice still firm in the river, crossing on foot.

Walter Stearns is home from Mexico. School closed Mar. 28 for a two weeks vacation.

Marion Twitchell of Portland is a guest of the Hopkins family.

Esko Neakinen has moved back to the ferry house.

M. E. Barker of Lewiston is in town.

ALBANY

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce feel very grateful to their many friends both in town and out, who have helped them so much since losing their home by fire.

Mrs. A. A. Bruce has been confined to her bed since the fire and under the care of a physician. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Laura Cummings, who has been assisting Mrs. Lillie Abbott at Bethel for the past three weeks, has finished work and is visiting friends and relatives in Lewiston and Auburn.

Services are to be held at the vestry Easter Sunday at 11 o'clock. Rev. David Burnham has kindly consented to speak to us.

The Circle will be held at the vestry Friday evening, April 2, if weather permits.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Andrews were recent guests of Arthur Andrews at Bryant's Pond.

Visit L. M. STEARNS' new store, next door to H. H. Hastings' law office.

SOUTH ALBANY

Mrs. Roy Wardwell was in Norway one day last week.

Mr. Cecil Kimball, who has been in Portland through the winter, has returned home.

The Misses Vera Kimball and Frances McAllister are home from Norway High School for a two weeks' vacation.

E. K. Sheld called at J. A. Kimball's, Monday.

Reverent from this way attended the dance at North Waterford, Saturday night. Another dance next Friday.

Miss Nona Allen is spending a few days in Portland.

Mrs. Will Fiske was in South Waterford one day last week to see her mother, Mrs. Green.

Several in this vicinity have tapped their maple orchards. Not a very good run of sap as yet.

Robert Hill has been hauling birch to Henry Dargin's mill for Fred Seribner.

Fred Seribner was at Roy Wardwell's, Sunday.

If a man's conscience never troubles him he has it pretty well trained.

"Why do men wear hats?" asks an exchange. Why, we suppose it is to keep from going bareheaded.

Write your folks to come

Be sure to be on hand yourself

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SONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. John Morse of Hanover were callers at Charles Kimball's, Sunday, while on their way to North Waterford to visit her brother, Irvin Green.

Mrs. Phil McAllister of Norway is visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Brown. Elsworth Wilbur has finished logging and is stopping for a while at Roscoe Emery's.

Leslie Kimball returned home from Portland, Saturday, not improved very much in health.

Dr. Simmons of North Norway was at Leslie Kimball's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Enman were callers at Geo. Haygood's, Sunday.

Mrs. P. H. Rolfe called on Mrs. H. E. Brown and Mrs. A. B. Kimball one day last week.

Geo. Morey of East Waterford is stopping for a while at Herman Brown's.

Mrs. C. F. Upton was at Songo Lake Cottage, Tuesday, the guest of Mrs. A. B. Kimball.

Fred E. Murphy has finished work at Littlefield's in Bethel and returned to Songo.

Millard Clough has begun his spring work of painting and papering.

Millard Brown has gone to Bethel to work for Thurston at the mill, running the board saw.

See ad. L. M. STEARNS' removal notice.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Guy W. Davis, deceased, in the County of Oxford, Maine. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. CHARLES L. DAVIS, Bethel, Maine. 3-25-20

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Fred C. Bean late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. OCTAVIA BEAN, Bethel, Maine. 3-25-20

March 16th, 1920.

The man who isn't true to himself isn't true to anybody.

An observing woman is a whole; public opinion in one package.

ONE DRAWBACK "I maintain a corps of Amazons would be a failure in the field." "Why so?" "Because after every charge, each one would want to stop to see if she had too much powder on her nose."

USING MODERATE ABILITIES The art of being able to make a good use of moderate abilities was esteem and often, confers more reputation than greater real merit.

NEW SPRING GOODS

This week we are opening many new Spring Dry Goods, also Men's and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Caps and Shoes

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A few Gingham at 25c and 35c per yard. White Goods for Waists, Skirts, and Dresses from 30c to \$1.25 per yard.

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Dr. Austin Tenney, Oculist. December visit to Bethel postponed. Next visit announced later.

STATE OF MAINE
To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty. The following matters have been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1920, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

William J. White late of Bethel, deceased; first and final account presented for allowance by Paul C. Thurston, of Bethel.

Ann M. Bennett late of Magalloway Plantation, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Lewis Leavitt, administrator.

Letitia M. Cross late of Berlin, New Hampshire, deceased; copy of will and petition for probate thereof and allowance of the same presented by Benjamin S. Haskell, the executor.

Witness, ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand

UP IN THE AIR

By CECILLE LANGDON

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"I'm all up in the air!" muttered Hiram Scripps in a dazed way. "Don't say that, neighbor," urged his friend, Robert Wade. "Think, man, think! You had it once. It's got to come back to you again."

"Think!" repeated Hiram glumly. "I've done nothing else but think ever since that happened," and he pointed sorrowfully toward the charred ruins of a burned down shed at the rear of the lot. "To have the model of my great invention working like a charm, to have a big capitalist offer me a fortune for it, and now—ashes!"

"Cheer up, old friend," consoled Wade. "You needn't tell me that a man of your genius and ability won't be able to make over what you once made."

"I can, all but the little fidget that was the soul of the whole device," repeated Hiram. "It simply won't come to me, and without it the new model is simply kindling wood. Oh! I'm not mourning the loss of a fortune. It's Miss Tibbets I'm fretting about."

"That's bad, Hiram," observed Wade. "No, it's good," dissented Hiram with emotion. "It's good because I've found out how much I love her, dear, sweet angel that she is! Wade, when I had spent the last cent of the money I got from mortgaging my place here and didn't know where to turn to get enough to finish my model, that lovely, beautiful being drew her savings out of bank, five hundred dollars, and forced it on me to help me out. Oh! the shame of not being able to pay her back will crush me. What will she say or think?"

"Say? That you could have more if you had it. Think! More of you than ever. It's the way of women—loyalty, sacrifice. Don't fret on that score. Get your mind on something else for a while, and before you know it the little fidget you can't remember will pop into your mind. I say, there's a circus in town. Let's stroll down to it and take a look at things."

"It won't interest me one bit," declared Hiram.

The two friends reached the vacant lot where the big white tents invited, but Hiram was in an abstracted mood and the glowing canvases held no attraction for the unhappy inventor.

"Let her go!" came the order, and the gay ropes of a show balloon were released and the distended monster sagged and away.

"Hill out of the way there," the yell was directed at Hiram. It startled him out of his preoccupation, but he did not move quickly enough to evade a bunch of trailing ropes. One of them whipped about him, tugged, frightened, and he was lifted from his feet. He grasped at the rope to steady himself. Then aloft he went.

Wade was averted, horrified. The crowd thrilled, the balloon men on the ground shouted wildly to the operator. But up like an arrow, fairly one hundred feet, shot Hiram.

Later, when questioned as to his unique experience, Hiram Scripps avowed that such a thing as fear never occurred to him. He declared that the sensation was one of exhilarating buoyancy. His mentality seemed released from all natural bonds. In a flash there came to him, clear, perfect, remembrance of the part of his machine that he had so vainly sought to grasp.

The startled balloonist turned a valve and began to descend. As Hiram's feet struck the top of a roof the rope slackened and he let go of it. The balloon away free of him, but Hiram, left without support, rolled down the roof and struck the ground with a shock.

"Oh, he's killed!" groaned Wade, as Hiram lay insensible. "Get a doctor, quick!"

A physician happened to be on the grounds. He hurried to the spot. "A bad bump on his head, but no bones broken," he reported.

Just then Hiram opened his eyes. A glorious smile illuminated his face. In another moment he relapsed into unconsciousness, but not until he had shouted out rapturously:

"A concentric shaft and two ratchets—hurrah!"

"Mind gone—convulsion of the brain," pronounced the physician dolefully. "Get him home quick."

It was several hours later when Hiram opened his eyes. Beside his couch were two willing nurses—Miss Miranda Tibbets and her married sister.

"And oh, Janet!" the former was sobbing. "What if his brilliant mind never recovers! And oh! I love him so, and if he was a mere beggar I would work and die for him, if necessary."

"You say that, but having recovered all womanhood," cried out Hiram, starting the ladies by looking up. "Then life is indeed worth living. Oh, Miranda! the golden lock, a concentric bar and two ratchets—Hurrah!"

"Oh, my dear!" said Miranda, breaking down utterly. "For such wretched ravings!"

"Havings!" fairly shouted Hiram. "Why, that means that I remember the important mechanism that had escaped my memory. Up in the air no longer, my darling! I can finish the model now. We're rich, my sweet, and yours shall be the fortune that is now surely ours, and my life in the bargain, if you will have me."

HOME TOWN HELPS

MAKES FOR BEAUTIFUL CITY

That Citizens Take Interest in Horticulture Is Always an Asset to the Community.

When the publisher of a newspaper in any town is interested in horticulture the people are encouraged to make their homes attractive, and the result is a beautiful city, remarks the New York Times. A newspaper of that kind is a valuable asset to any community.

In the Allentown (Pa.) Leader, a report is given of the bulb planting in the city parks, where next spring there will be eleven tulip beds, which have just been planted with thousands of bulbs.

Charles Ziegenfuss, a leading business man, has planted more than 5,000 tulip bulbs. Last spring his show of tulips was worth going miles to see and next year the beds will be more gorgeous than ever. Mr. Ziegenfuss has planted this season the rarest and most beautiful varieties obtainable.

R. J. Butz, president of the National bank, has made extensive bulb plantings. So also has Col. Young and Mrs. Koch.

Edward A. Kristman, who has won many prizes with his dahlias, will plant more than 4,000 tubers early next spring.

Flower lovers who motor through Allentown will find the tulip beds a sight worth seeing and in the autumn the dahlia beds of Mr. Kristman will make a wonderful show.

The efforts of George Roth, publisher of the Leader, to make his town a show place are appreciated by the citizens, as shown by their co-operation.

PECAN TREES ALONG ROADS

Georgia Landowners' Association Agrees to Furnish Them, If Proper Care Is Guaranteed.

The attention of the department of agriculture officials has been attracted by the offer of the Georgia Landowners' association to furnish pecan trees for planting on both sides of one mile of permanent hard surface road in the first county in the state that agrees to take care of the trees. This is somewhat in line with the reforestation and good roads movements in the southern states recently started.

"It is hoped," says F. H. Abbott, manager of the Georgia association, in a communication received here, "that this suggestion will result in bordering every mile of permanent highway in Georgia with trees that will be as useful as well as ornamental. I believe that the example of the first county will quickly be followed by other counties, and see no reason why a similar plan should not be adopted in other states. The trees for bordering the Georgia roads will be furnished the association by J. H. Wright of Cairo, Ga., one of the largest pecan growers in the South and a member of the board of control of the organization."

When Pruning Trees. Shade trees may be pruned any time between the fall of the leaves and early spring before growth begins. Boxelder and maple trees are apt to "bleed" if pruned after the last of February.

Do not leave long stubs but cut close above a side branch when pruning large limbs. Try to avoid leaving upright forks or crotches which are apt to split apart and injure or ruin the tree later. Long, slender branches should be shortened, if retained, so as to encourage greater stiffness and resistance to wind and the weight of wet snow.

Of course, the natural characteristics of the tree should be taken into account in pruning and no attempt be made to greatly alter the natural form of the tree. Evergreens are seldom pruned but appear best when permitted to retain their lower branches close to the ground.—H. O. Longyear, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.

Resolve to Set Out a Tree. A tree, if properly tended and protected, will live for many years. It will even outlast some man-made monuments. What can be more inspiring than the thought that a century hence that tree planted yesterday will be noted by the American people visiting this city, bearing its appropriate label? If in every city in this country such a tree were planted now, generations to come, numbering millions upon millions, would note, observe and appreciate the sentiment. And meanwhile the tree itself will be a thing of beauty and afford shade and comfort. Let there be more tree planting in the name of America's heroes!

Beautify the Playgrounds. Money spent in ornamental planting of trees and shrubs about the country school is money well spent. The results of the early training the boys and girls receive in practical and ornamental values of planting of shrubs and trees will be shown in the homes of the children later on more of the homes of those who remain in the community will be benefited in being more beautiful places in which to live and the value of the real estate will be materially increased.

DAIRY



MILK RECORD IS EXCELLENT

Shipment Made From Los Angeles to Chicago Found Sweet Eighteen Days Afterward.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

When a bottle of cream shipped from Los Angeles to the national dairy show at Chicago, was opened and tested 18 days after it had left the cow, it was pronounced in perfect condition by those who examined it. Other samples of milk and cream entered in the national milk and cream contest and examined 15 to 18 days after production were also found to be sweet.

Because of the number of bacteria present, ordinary milk will not remain wholesome for such a long time, even if kept cool. The milk and cream which made such long keeping records were produced under very sanitary conditions, and every precaution was taken to keep them clean and to keep the bacteria count low. Furthermore, the milk was cooled to a low temperature immediately after it was drawn, and held there. The success attained in producing milk of such long-keeping qualities and low bacterial count is due in a large measure to the educational value of the local milk and cream contests which have been especially popular in cities of the Pacific coast states.

The bottles of milk, which were placed in boxes, and surrounded with crushed ice, were kept at a temperature from 32 degrees to 34 degrees F. at all times. The boxes were shipped in baggage cars to Chicago, and most of them were not re-filled along the route. An inspection of the samples on arrival at Chicago showed that of the various methods of packing, the insulated box filled with crushed ice was the most effective. The bottles of milk in these boxes were entirely surrounded by the ice, which was packed in as tightly as possible. One or two samples packed in ice and sawdust arrived in a spoiled condition, due to the fact that a low enough temperature had not been maintained.

The ice in the insulated boxes lasted well, and one box from Portland, Ore., which was re-filled at Minneapolis on Tuesday did not arrive in Chicago until the following Saturday, but was still in good condition.

When milk is produced and handled under the right conditions it can be shipped to almost any point in the United States, or to foreign countries, and arrive in good condition. At present considerable quantities are being shipped to Panama, and are used on ocean liners plying between this country and Europe.

FAVOR ONE-STORY BUILDINGS

Recent Survey of Milk Plants Indicates That Low Structures Are Most Satisfactory.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

A recent survey of more than 100 milk plants, made by the dairy division, bureau of animal industry, shows that for establishments handling more than 1,000 and less than 5,000 gallons of milk daily, the typical structure is two stories high; where less than 1,000 gallons of milk are handled daily, the plants are usually housed in one-story buildings. Although there are a few

plants of three or more stories, this record would seem to indicate that fewer stories prove more satisfactory in most cases. One of the most noteworthy disadvantages of a milk plant having several stories is the increasing quantity of labor needed, in proportion to the size of the business.

BALANCED RATION FOR COWS

Combination of Ground Oats, Gluten, Bran and Cottonseed Meal Is Quite Economical.

A balanced ration for dairy cows, used largely by New York farmers who feed alfalfa, hay and some corn fodder for roughage, consists of 200 pounds ground oats, 200 pounds gluten, 100 pounds bran and 100 pounds cottonseed meal. Considering nutritive value it is about the cheapest ration a farmer can buy.

Floor Plan for Dairy House.

Diagram showing layout of a dairy house with rooms labeled: COOLING TANK, TESTER, ICE BOX, SEPARATOR, CEMENT FLOOR TO GRADE TO TRAP, TABLE, BUTTER WORKER, CHURN, and STOVE & SINK.

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POEMS WORTH READING

SOMETIME

By May Riley Smith

Sometime, when all life's lessons have been learned,

And sun and stars forever more have set,

The things which our weak judgments here have spurned,

The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet,

Will flash before us out of life's dark night,

As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue;

And we shall see how all God's plans are right,

And how what seemed reproof was love most true.

And we shall see how, while we frown and sigh,

God's plans go on as best for you and me;

How, when we called, He heeded not our cry,

Because His wisdom to the end could see,

And e'en as prudent parents disallow too much of sweet to craving babyhood,

So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if, sometimes, commingled with life's wine,

We find the wormwood, and rebel and shrink,

Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine,

Pours out the potion for our lips to drink;

And if some friend we love is lying low,

Where human kisses cannot reach his face,

Oh, do not blame the loving Father so, But wear your sorrow with obedient grace.

And you shall shortly know that lengthened breath

Is not the sweetest gift God sends His friend,

And that, sometimes, the subtle pall of death

Conceals the fairest boon His love can send.

If we could push ajar the gates of life,

And stand within and all God's workings see,

We could interpret all this doubt and strife

And for each mystery could find a key.

But not today.—Then be content, poor heart;

God's plans like lilies pure and white unfold;

We shall not tear the close-shut leaves apart,—

Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.

And if, through patient toil, we reach the land

Where first feet, with sandals loosed, may rest,

When we shall clearly know and understand,

I think that we shall say, "God knew it best!"

THE FAITHFUL SHEPHERD

A little lamb went straying

Among the hills one day,

Leaving its faithful shepherd

Because it loved to stray;

And while the sun shone brightly,

It knew no thought of fear,

For flowers around were blooming

And balmy was the air.

But night came over quickly.

The hollow breezes blew—

The sun soon ceased its shining.

All dark and dismal grew;

The little lamb stood bleating.

As well indeed it might,

So far from home and shepherd,

And on so dark a night.

But, ah! the faithful shepherd

Soon missed the little thing,

And onward went to seek it.

It home again to bring;

He sought on hill, in valley,

And called it by its name—

He sought, nor ceased his seeking

Till he found his lamb.

And won't you love the Shepherd,

So gentle and so kind,

Who came from brightest glory

His little lambs to find?

To make them, oh, so happy,

Rejoicing in His love,

Till every lamb be gathered

Safe in His home above.

Albert Millard, in "The King's Herald."

LOOKING BACK

Look back and count things over.

Then look ahead and smile.

The heaviest fields of clover

Are in the afterwhile!

Look back and calmly ponder,

Then look ahead and sing—

ONCE IN AWHILE

By Nixon Waterman

Once in awhile the sun shines out,

And the arching skies are a perfect blue;

Once in awhile mid clouds of doubt

Hope's brightest stars come peeping through.

Our paths lead down by the meadows fair,

Where the sweetest blossoms nod and smile,

And we lay aside our cross of care

Once in awhile.

Once in awhile within our own

We clasp the hand of a steadfast friend;

Once in awhile we hear a tone

Of love with the heart's own voice to blend;

And the dearest of all our dreams come true,

And on life's way is a golden mile;

Each thrilling flower is kissed with dew

Once in awhile.

Once in awhile in the desert sand

We find a spot of the fairest green;

Once in awhile from where we stand

The hills of Paradise are seen;

And a perfect joy in our hearts we hold,

A joy that the world cannot defile;

We trade earth's dross for the purest gold

Once in awhile.

"A GLORIOUS END"

(Title picture by English war artist)

The soldier tells of that fierce charge

In which his brother died:

The father stands with lifted head

As if he saw the splendid ride,

The sister hears with face grown pale

And eyes that brim with tears of pride;

The mother does not heed the tale,

She only knows that he has died.

She makes no mean, she sheds no tears,

She feels no thrill of pride or joy.

For, looking back across the years,

She sees a little, little boy:

She hears the lisping baby speech

That begs for some beloved toy.

She feels the clasp of little arms

That tells a love without alloy.

Their words are but an idle tale

Of war and battle, sword and gun;

She does not heed that he was brave,

She only turns her head aside,

She has no thought for glory won

She only knows that he has died,—

Her son—her son—her first-born son.

COWS LEAD ALL FARM ANIMALS

The expansion which has been taking place steadily in the dairy industry of this country during the last seven years has at last put milk cows at the head of the list of farm animals so far as value is concerned. This is shown by a recent report by the Bureau of Crop Estimates, United States Department of Agriculture. The value of these animals now exceeds that of horses and cattle other than milk cows, the two classes formerly standing higher on the list. On January 1 of this year there were approximately 2,747,000 milk cows in this country, an increase of 272,000 head, or 12 per cent, as compared with a year ago. Their aggregate value is placed at \$2,631,631,000.

Ten years ago the average milk cow was worth \$35.29, compared with \$78.20 a year ago and \$85.13 January 1, 1920. It is generally recognized that the quality of the milk cows of this country is improving at the same time that their number is increasing.

The class of cattle, consisting of calves, steers, bulls, and cows, not kept for milk production and designated as "other cattle," shows a decrease of 706,000 head, or 1.6 per cent. Ten years ago the average value per head of animals in this class was \$10.07, a year ago it was \$4.22, and \$4.14 this year. The number of "other cattle" in the country at the present time is approximately 4,385,000, and their value \$1,014,575,000.

UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE OCEAN ACCIDENT & GUARANTEE CORPORATION, LIMITED, 69 JOHN ST., NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1919

Mortgage Loans,	\$87,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	12,794,565.23
Cash in Office and Bank,	542,887.10
Agents' Balances and Out-	
standing Premiums,	3,258,453.31
Bills Receivable,	5,722.09
Interest and Rents,	169,038.49
All other Assets,	457,780.03
Gross Assets,	\$16,515,297.11
Deduct items not admit-	
ted,	2,322,618.49
Admitted Assets,	\$14,192,678.62
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$7,594,814.99
Unearned Premiums,	4,152,944.47
All other Liabilities,	907,214.87
Deposit Capital,	800,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,047,877.29
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$13,592,631.62
A. E. JONES, Agent,	
Rosford, Me.	

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WOMEN'S CHIT-CHAT

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spect with which our men protected women. No deeper, truer, more inspiring lesson was learned in the war! No higher ideals for the future have been touched! Women of wide experience join in saying "There is no man equal to his treatment of women." And if it is true that man can be rated by his relations to God and woman, we know upon what American civilization is founded!

German militarism which placed the officer lowest in rank in precedence before the most learned man in a military invited assembly, where even the famous Virehow, one of the world's greatest scientists, was left entirely neglected because no officer ventured to recognize a civilian on such an occasion, shows the school in which the German youth was reared. Of course woman grew from having a personality worth considering, and anyway, someone has said, that "The Germans could make everything out of real tar," but a gentleman!

No much for our enemy, but, oh, our country! We do wish to respect them, and their recognition of us do not so much affect our self-respect as our sincere desire to accept a basis upon which we can meet, level-eyed. We ask to be better known for a century past, thousands of reverent Americans have sought the Mother Country to seek and claim their birthright from the Past which was jointly owned till within two hundred years. Westminster Abbey, St. Paul's Cathedral, Glastonbury and Fintona Abbeys are, in history, as much ours as our English cousins; and there are few spots in England that Americans do not know.

But our own vast country! Our continents of civilization; our republican republics in lives which in England would be on a far lower plane! How little our English cousins know us as we really are! They have justly condemned the class of quickly-made-rich traveling Americans who have not represented the cultivation of our country! But, on the other hand, what have they to offer as superior to this same uneducated class? A hopeless mediocrity from generation to generation, while in America the third generation in opportunity so often evolves men and women of unquestioned power and influence.

All London is aglow with a new sensation! To many, a star has arisen in the West, and they are following it, where in a humble setting, a human soul long ago, embodied great principles. It seems strange to us who have been so imbued from childhood with an unquestioning reverence for what made Abraham Lincoln the power he was, who are unconsciously so moulded by his principles, so sure of ourselves in his path, to learn that he has just struck England's masses! Some few superior minds have already seen that a great light fell upon the whole world, but English people, as a whole, know far less of our greatest chief than we of their lesser heroes.

An obscure little theater in London has suddenly become famous! An unknown playwright a name upon many lips! Actors are receiving homage for wonderful interpretations! Abraham Lincoln as a dramatic force has per se, without a plot or a love scene, drawn such crowds that thousands are on the waiting line. Dukes and dukes, dukes and dukes sit side by side, so absorbed in a great revelation of a human soul that with an inspiration of undimmed honesty, justice, mercy and love of truth, that caste is forgotten!

With crowds rolling in the dust, our commoners across the sea are shaken, and are looking eagerly to find what is the secret of Americanism! What is there in the blood that caused the first group of men and women to cross such an ocean as if then what? Not to wrest territory from others, but to gain unearned treasures, but for principles as deep as man's strangely endowed nature can fathom!

And when they saw a nation leap into action (one that has a rescued, protected and not grasped at Cuba, and a Philistine turning from savagery into a land of schools and churches) ready to cross the three thousand miles of terrible dangers to reach the continent for whom they were to give their lives, it must be, with everything to lose and nothing tangible to gain, we wonder that our English cousins are passionate in seeking the secret of our country and finding it in the portrayal of the great Lincoln who has given us standards that, with God's help, shall not perish from the earth. "Our hearts beat to the rhythm and Abraham Lincoln lives in every true American far more than when on this earth his suffering manhood bore our country upon his heart so terribly alone before his God. Love, our best poetical interpreter of him said, that when Lincoln was born "Nature took sweet play from the breast of the unshaken West" and revealed her greatest American, creating the sign of real democracy. And now across the sea our kin in language and ship

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

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for each month's service, but not less than \$50 in any event.

The United States Government, according to Representative Emerson of Indiana, "squandered millions on this war, paid the contractors all they asked, loaned money to Europe by the billions, and extended the time of the payment of interest; and squandered millions on ships and millions on flying machines." But we have not matched up with other progressive countries in appreciation of our soldiers.

The Dominion of Canada, impoverished by the war, pays each private soldier from \$280 to \$600. France, who lost her sons by the thousands, and had the enemy upon her soil for over four years pays her private soldiers from \$82.90 to \$233.33.

On the face of the returns it is quite evident that the United States has lost a lot of its war enthusiasm.

GOVERNMENT NOT A CHRISTMAS TREE

"If we want to make the Government a kind of pickpocket, the way to do it is just to confiscate the great properties of the public service corporations through the country," declared ex-Mayor Ole Hanson of Seattle, at the recent meeting in Boston of the New England Association of Gas Engineers.

"If the time comes," he added, "when a utility enterprise that has honestly expended the public's money in creating or developing a gas, electric or street car plant cannot operate, we must raise the rate so they can get by, or we must refund to them the money they put into the enterprise."

"I cannot believe that the public utility that employs a large number of men and requires a large amount of capital will function as efficiently when publicly operated as it will when privately operated, with an individual reward for the corporation at the end of the day."

"The time has come to tell the truth to the people—that the United States Government is not a self-perpetuating Christmas tree for anyone's benefit. Now that the war is over the time has come to see that the investors get a run for their money—to protect the great body of men and women who have saved and put their money into public utilities and who had their entire capital cut in two during the war. The corporations in the final analysis are owned by the rank and file of the people who have been thrifty enough to lay aside something for a rainy day. Our work is to see that they get justice and that the public gets adequate service at a fair and compensatory remuneration."

THE NATION'S GAS SUPPLY

George Oils Smith, Director of the United States Geological Survey, is the authority for the statement that there is less than eight years supply contained in the oil reserves of the country. According to Mr. Smith the total amount represents 5,500,000,000 barrels. He comments: "The secret of the expediency of Nature's storehouse is easier to unlock than the mystery of the progress in man's needs and desires. I think the oil geologists can estimate within 50 per cent of the oil fields of the United States, but who could have foretold within 100 per cent of the truth the increase in the consumption of gasoline even within the present decade."

The present demand for oil is more than 3,000,000 barrels greater per month than it was a year ago, and Mr. Smith observes that "the arts of peace are requiring more oil than we have." What are we going to do about it? The problem does not seem to be concerning very many people since the number of automobiles is constantly on the increase, and the automobile manufacturers are all behind in their orders. At the same time there is a steady increase in the use of oil for heating and power in transportation and industries.

MINERS' WAGES

The Commission appointed by the President at the time of the calling off of the coal strike for the purpose of making recommendations with regard to wages, hours and working conditions, cannot be accused of having been dilatory, since they have submitted their report and the hope is expressed at the White House that it will serve effectively as the basis for a final settlement of difficulties among the people who operate and work in coal mines.

A wedding ring can sometimes be more galling to a woman than steel manacles.

Shared traditions have suddenly seen through eyes, tear-swamp by war, a vision of what, to us, man was meant to be! What a country means to become! And what it may mean to a people of one speech and one ideal!

Lake his humble immortalized brother, Abraham Lincoln's "soul goes marching on." May opened eyes and stirred hearts see and feel what Abraham Lincoln would say to our English kin in these days of terrible re-creation.

"When the big heart we magnify, And the sure vision celebrates, And worship greatness passing by, Ourselves are great."

From Drinkwater's Play, Abraham Lincoln.

AN EARLY SETTLEMENT ON THE KENNEBEC

Few localities along the Kennebec River offer more interesting history than the present town of Dresden. It was a part of what was known as the Frankfort Plantation which includes the present towns of Dresden, Wiscasset, Alna and Perkins. Later on in 1760 these towns were incorporated under the name of Pownallboro in honor of the Massachusetts governor of that date. Pownallboro (Dresden) became the shire town and so remained for 34 years. In 1794 Dresden, Perkins and Alna were set off, while the name of Pownallboro was retained for that section now known as Wiscasset. This latter name was adopted in 1802 and the good old name of the original incorporation was lost to that section.

Pioneer life always included protection against the Indians, so we find records of a block house where all could take refuge in the time of attack. This house no longer exists, but close to it in point of space was built in 1761 a large Court House which still remains. Many a conflict between the Guardians, Mayors and Quineys took place within these walls and here hung the eloquence of President John Adams, Judge Cushing and the Sewalls.

In 1760 the famous Boston Massacre was tried here and John Adams, lawyer for the defence of Captain Preston, travelled from Boston to Pownallboro on horseback following a blazed trail, a ferry to our present speed by automobile, but was the journey less pleasurable? This old Court house is now the residence of direct descendants of Samuel Goodwin, the first owner, who had his grant directly from the Builders, The Plymouth Company. The Goodwin family preserve as nearly as possible the old furnishings which include valuable portraits of Thomas Johnson, whose mother was a daughter of Samuel Goodwin, and of Rebecca Prescott granddaughter of Samuel Goodwin. The upper story of the house remains with one exception as in the old court days. The old court room has been partitioned off into bedrooms.

Battles of tongues were not the only kind that waged in Pownallboro. During the Revolutionary War, Mr. Jones, familiarly known as "Mahogany Jones" on account of his dark complexion, prompted by patriotism headed a small party who went to the house of Brigadier Cushing, took him out of bed, carried him over to the Penobscot and delivered him to the British.

Any sketch of Pownallboro or Dresden would be far from complete which does not include the story of St. John's Church and the Rev. Jacob Bailey, the first rector and missionary to these parts. Through the influence of Dr. Bywater Gardner, a globe lot of one hundred acres was granted by the proprietors of the Kennebec Purchase and by November 1770 the church was erected and sufficiently completed for the first service. Near by it was built the parsonage, long promised to Mr. Bailey. He gave most unselfish devotion to his scattered flock, but during the Revolution showed such loyalty to the Royal cause that in 1778 persecution was so great that he was obliged to flee the country. The loss of the shepherd was followed by the desertion of the flock and both church and parsonage fell down. Thus the lot was forfeited, but the Company by suit regained possession and the property was granted to Trustees, (Samuel Sumner Wilde, then of Hallowell, a Justice of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts who removed to Massachusetts on the separation of Maine; James Bridge of Augusta; and Robert Hallowell Gardner). For the benefit of the minister of the Congregational Society in Dresden, so long as no Episcopal Society shall exist in said town, but when an Episcopal Society shall be established and a minister settled over it in said town then for the use and benefit of said Episcopal minister said society was established, but only fragments of its records remain and the fund is still held by the vesting Trustees for the benefit of the Episcopal Church.

ONLY TEN?

Jones says his wife is the most thrifty woman he ever saw. "Why sir," he says, "she has made ten bed spreads during the last two years; made them herself, sir, out of the samples she collected in her shopping trips during that time."

The opportunity that leads one to an underpaid job always knocks the loudest.

WILLIE'S GOLDEN TONIC

FOR SALE BY W. A. BRAGG, BETHEL, MAINE

MATURE VS. IMMATURE POTATO SEED IN MAINE

Experiments in Progress at Aroostook Farm

Much of the potato work at Aroostook Farm is carried on by the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station in cooperation with the Federal Department of Agriculture. In the potato breeding work the Station is well nigh a silent partner. Among this work carried out in cooperation with the Horticultural Division of the Bureau of Plant Industry there has been a study of the effect of maturity of potato seed stock on the next year's crop. This has been carried on in two series differently planned.

In the first series covering the years 1915, 1916 and 1917, the seed for the next year's planting was obtained by making 3 successive plantings at intervals of 20 days, beginning about May 20. The year in which the seed was tested as to its crop yield the planting and harvesting of each kind were made at one time. In this series there was nothing in favor of the immature seed. On the contrary what differences there were indicated that the mature seed was the better both from yield and freedom from certain diseases known as streak and leaf roll.

There has been only one year's trial of the method of the second series. In 1918 all of the seed for the 1919 test was planted on the same day. Three-

harvests were made August 10, August 24 and September 17. For convenience we will call the potatoes harvested August 10, Immature; August 24, Medium Mature; and those harvested September 17, Mature.

In 1919 all three lots were planted the same day. But each lot was harvested at three periods, August 10, August 24, and September 10. At the time of the first harvest the yields were in the order of the maturity of the seed. The Mature gave 10 bushels per acre more than the Medium Mature and 8 bushels more than the Immature. At the second harvest the Medium Mature was in the lead by two bushels with the Immature 3 bushels below the Mature. At the third harvest the Medium Mature was 16 bushels per acre above the Mature and 28 bushels ahead of the Immature.

The disease factor, which was so conspicuous in Immature seed from late planted stock, was greatly reduced in Immature seed from early harvested stock. The total disease in per cent for the harvests was: Mature 7.4; Medium 2.6; and Immature 5.8 per cent.

From the first series the results seem to indicate an advantage from the seed standpoint of early planting both as regards yield and freedom from disease. In the second series the value of early planting is assumed. The resulting crop from Immature seed was planted on the same day. Three-

of the Medium Mature both at late and medium late harvest and in this one year the mature seed gave a smaller yield at the late harvest than that obtained from the Medium Mature. So far as it is safe to draw any conclusion from so few trials this study indicates (a) the desirability both for seed and yield of crop to plant as early in the season as practicable. (b) to harvest the part of the crop to be used for seed when the plants have reached medium maturity and to allow the plants that are to furnish table stock to remain as long as they keep growing so as to obtain a maximum yield.

Chas. D. Woods, Director.

GOOD POULTRY FROM MON-GRUEL HENS

Noteworthy success is reported by the United States Department of Agriculture in grading up mongrel flocks of poultry by the continued use of males of pure breeding. During the last fiscal year, according to a statement of the Bureau of Animal Industry, the third generation of Barred Plymouth Rock grades showed marked uniformity in color and type, and White Plymouth Rock grades showed much improvement, but did not all come pure white in color. In both kinds of grades individuals occurred which so closely resembled stock of pure breeding that it was impossible to tell the difference by their appearance.

A Bit of Interesting News from Portland Stores

Concerning their relationship to Maine Folks

It is a well established fact that the stores of Portland, from the largest to the smallest, in all lines, compare most favorably with those in cities several times larger than Portland.

To Serve Maine People is the ambition of Portland Stores

Portland Stores want you to feel that they are your stores, that no matter how far away you are from Portland, they are only so far away as your nearest mail box, or telephone. You have sometimes heard your neighbor remark

"Yes, I sent to

BOSTON

or New York - or Chicago

For This or That Thing"

To the men and women of our State we want to say, you are holding back the advancement of Maine, every dollar you spend outside of Maine for the things you could buy here.

LET US

All Boom Maine by that One Word

Co-operation

Co-operation is the very foundation of a state's prosperity. If Maine is to take her place among the leaders of this great Union of ours we must forget all past selfishness; all antagonistic thought must be buried, for there cannot be any undivided interests. We must all work together.

Practice these two ideals

Patronize your home town stores as much as possible. They deserve your most loyal support. When you have to seek elsewhere, when your local store cannot serve your requirements—then come in person, or mail or telephone your order to the Metropolis of Maine—PORTLAND—and then say to your friends: "It was purchased in Maine."

"It Came from Portland"

NOTE.—If you are planning a Saturday shopping tour to Portland, please note that the stores close at 6 o'clock.

Signed by:

THE ADVERTISING COMMITTEE, Portland Retail Merchants.

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EASTER OF

For many reasons making this season gave us a new meaning. Because she is more than before and is now possible to the people of the village as the light of the sun is so attractive should it be stored? A community feeling of the really charming shop of the "Big Tree" shade of the "Big Tree" nomenclature—which has since the day when Miss Sarah Hall, by the "Woman Movement" her drugs therefrom, but many persons do, into a man of middle-aged beauty.

In the renovation the rooms have been made (These details are not for the many who look for the friendly columns of A small, but convenient, been finished at the rear of the large windows, upholding niche forms Miss see with her desk at the

On the left as one entered shelves and counter runs through the middle right wall the long mirror recessed drawers. A newly the right leads to the apartment on the second Miss Stearns and Mrs. W. rumpy, and which is also being done over. The new window was prettily decorated and green. And the window added to the gala day walls are in dark green and work in glistening enamel.

The freshly well selected effectively arranged. And perhaps it was a part of glamour, but they seemed more than for many seasons, a marked upward tendency more diversity in shape. A plain, or the middle-aged woman seemed to go into partial for the inexcusable close which, hiding every trace of forehead, is trying to all but, young faces and has a look of ten unhappy years out may have more latitude and may wear an upward if she wants to.

And the markings, which glance into the lining, the woman knows, and by which to regulate her enthusiasm, a grain of a kind which our had for many a day. How could a such workmanship at such prices in these days figures? Mrs. Howe said her profits are low. Anybody who Miss Stearns can trust to her altruism of spirit to make as good as an as consistent with good.

Bishop Hughes in a Palm sermon which was widely appreciated the women who would church on Easter Sunday wear which cost a larger sum than they have contributed to the church for a year. But let us, thanks to Miss Stearns' efforts if the proffering spirit can have and nothing left to pay to the altar. And none but the wear the solace and support of a good hat!

Congratulations to Miss Stearns. Mrs. Willey in their new home wishes for many years of happiness therein.

Propose of hats. Though the, by the lapse of time and which it implies, fixes one to the place, to which one is relegated by the young among the aged, tottering on brink of the grave, with one's young in—this, even if, by the miracle of life, one is younger is then when at eighteen she microscopic bonnet under the chin anyone remember how in a few days, the local milliner, always, went to Boston in the style, and returned with two or three upon which, with this scanty material, all our mothers' Unstable Neapolitans and Leghorns were repressed, reworked, and reworked a la mode! And that bonnets—for there were bonnets these days—were, in common parlance!

Altera tempora! Altera mores!

Hang up the snowshovel, and down the fly-awitter!